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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6337 NOTE PREPARED: Dec 23, 2010

BILL NUMBER: SB 202 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Environmental Approvals and Other Issues.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Gard BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> Construction or Expansion of Satellite Manure Storage Facilities. This bill requires the approval of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) for construction or expansion of a satellite manure storage structure, anaerobic digestion facility (ADF), or gasification facility (GF). If the construction or expansion of an ADF or a GF is on the premises of a confined feeding operation, the bill provides that the approval is obtained through the approval process for confined feeding operations.

Biomass Facilities. The bill provides that an ADF or a GF for which the only input is biomass is not subject to regulation as a solid waste processing facility, but that IDEM may determine that an ADF or a GF for which the input is a combination of biomass and solid waste is subject to regulation as a solid waste processing facility.

Definitions. The bill amends the definition of "solid waste" for environmental statutes to exclude certain manures or crop residues returned to the soil regardless of whether the return is at the point of generation.

State Chemist. The bill provides that rules adopted by the State Chemist for distribution and use of fertilizer material must include standards to protect waters of the state. The bill requires the State Chemist to adopt rules before January 1, 2012, concerning the staging and use of organic fertilizer material.

Water Pollution Prohibition. The bill provides that a statutory water pollution prohibition is not violated by fertilizer material that (1) is contained in runoff from a storm event or irrigation return flow; and (2) enters waters of Indiana as a result of land application of the fertilizer material that is for agricultural purposes, is done at appropriate agronomic rates for proper nutrient uptake in the field, and is documented.

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Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Approval of Construction or Expansion of Satellite Manure Storage Facilities. Requiring the approval of IDEM for manure storage structures, anaerobic digestion facilities, or gasification facilities will have no significant impact on IDEM. Currently, there are two such facilities in the state.

Biomass Facilities. Authorizing IDEM to determine that an ADF or a GF is subject to regulation as a solid waste processing facility will have no significant impact.

Definitions. This provision will have no significant impact.

State Chemist. The bill will require the adoption of rules by the State Chemist. The bill's requirements are within the State Chemist's routine administrative functions and should be able to be implemented with no additional appropriations, assuming near customary agency staffing and resource levels.

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Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: IDEM.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: IDEM.

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